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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

*HOLD FOR*25X1 SUBJECT: [] Conference on BLACK SHIELD Operations/
Communications Facility

1. Per agreement reached at Project Headquarters on 28 May 1965, a meeting was held at [] on 1 June 1965 to complete a floor plan for the Operations/Communications facility to be erected at Kadena AB in support of Project BLACK SHIELD. Personnel present at the meeting were:

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2. Project Headquarters guidelines for this meeting were set out in a message [] on 28 May 1965 and in a briefing given to [] by the D/FA on the same day. In brief the requirements are as follows:

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a. KC-135 crews have a requirement for both a planning room and a briefing room within the BLACK SHIELD controlled area at Kadena AB. Storage space for SAC planning material is also needed.

b. Project Headquarters requires a briefing room large enough to contain both KC-135 and OXCART crews for operational briefings. The briefing room (22' x 16') included in the original plans is considered too small for this function.

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3. [] stated that two (2) rooms approximately 25' x 30' would satisfy the KC-135 requirement. One room would be used for briefing and the second room would be used for flight planning/storage. The briefing room would satisfy the Headquarters requirement for a briefing area of sufficient size to contain both SAC and OXCART crews for operational briefings. [] expressed a desire to retain the original (22' x 16') briefing room for detailed briefing of OXCART crews. This presented no problem since it was obvious that the requirements listed above would dictate a substantial increase in floor space over that provided in the original plans.

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4. At first it was proposed that the additional required space be added on the rear (north) side of the original plans. Several problem areas presented themselves with this proposal; i.e., accessibility, security, toilet facilities, etc.

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5. I called [] at Project Headquarters and asked him if he would be agreeable to moving the proposed additional communications space from the west to the north side of the building. [] agreed since this would actually place the new communications space closer to the existing facility with no loss of space. Once this change was agreed upon by all concerned, the west space formerly proposed for additional communications space would become the area for the large briefing room. An addition to this area on the west side of the floor plan provided a space approximately 24' x 36'. This area would be used for KC-135 flight planning and for storage of KC-135 flight planning material. [] also indicated that office space would be provided within this area for the Tanker Task Force Commander during operational periods.

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6. [] made some minor changes in the original floor plan to allow for additional toilet facilities. He also indicated a false ceiling would be utilized to facilitate subdivision of floor space and insure adequate heating/cooling in all areas. [] promised to mail copies of the floor plan to Project Headquarters not later than Friday, 4 June 1965. He is planning to take copies of these plans with him on the staff visit to Okinawa tentatively scheduled for 11 June 1965.

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7. [] requested [] to submit to him a list of furnishings (desks, tables, chairs, etc.) required by SAC to be used in the briefing/planning area.

8. In summary, by the addition of approximately seventeen hundred square feet to the initially proposed floor plan, the new plan provides flight planning and storage facilities for KC-135 crews, a briefing room large enough to accommodate both OXCART and KC-135 crews, increased toilet facilities and a more convenient communications facility. In addition, the security problem is reduced since all personnel will enter the building through a single entrance. KC-135 personnel are in an area by themselves within the BLACK SHIELD complex and are easily reached when necessary by OXCART personnel. KC-135 personnel, in their normal operation, will not have to pass through OXCART classified areas and yet will have access to communications facilities.

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